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NASA Visitor Center Events Scheduled for April

April 1 -- Model Rocket Launch

A model rocket launch will be held at 1 p.m. Models of various rockets will be launched. Model rocketeers are invited to bring their own rockets and launch them. The launch will be canceled if it is raining or winds exceed 18 mph.

April 22 -- Earth Day Celebration

The Visitor Center will hold an Earth Day Celebration from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. with several Earth science related activities. At 3 p.m. there will be a biking tour of the Wallops Main Base. Participants must bring their own bicycles, wear a helmet and sign up at the Visitor Center by 2 p.m.

Saturdays and Sundays -- Puppets in Space

Puppets in Space is a 10-minute puppet show presented at 11 a.m. on Saturdays and Sundays for children of all ages. Puppet astronauts and Sam the monkey will explore space flight and the space suit. An eight-minute version of the film "Astrosmiles" follows the puppet show.

Sundays -- Humans in Space

Humans in space is a 30-minute program presented at 1 p.m. on Sundays. Children of all ages will learn what it's like to live and work in space including a review of what the astronauts eat and their wardrobes are in space. The program is followed by a hands-on activity that gives children the opportunity to create their own "space helmet".

Daily -- Space Ace

Children 5 to 10 years old can earn a "Space Ace" certificate and a lithograph any day they come to the Visitor Center by completing an activity sheet.

The Visitor Center, part of the Robert L. Krieger Education Complex, is open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday through Monday. The complex is closed on Tuesday and Wednesday. It is located on Route 175 about six miles from Route 13 and five miles from Chincoteague, VA. Admission to Visitor Center Programs is free. For further information, call (757) 824-2298.